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SUBJECT: ASSIGNMENT OF AMBASSADORS TO GULF STATES

FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

1. AT NEXT FEASIBLE OPPORTUNITY YOU SHOULD TELL THE SHAH I HAVE ASKED YOU TO INFORM HIM THAT WE ARE TAKING STEPS TO UPGRADE OUR DIPLOMATIC ESTABLISHMENT IN OMAN, THE UAE, QATAR AND BAHRAIN. WE HAVE RECENTLY REQUESTED AGREEMENT FROM THESE FOUR COUNTRIES TO ASSIGN RESIDENT AMERICAN AMBASSADORS IN THEIR CAPITALS. AN INCREASE IN STAFF AT EACH OF OUR EMBASSIES IN THESE COUNTRIES IS ALSO CONTEMPLATED AND WE EXPECT THAT THE NEW AMBASSADORS WILL BE IN PLACE BY EARLY SUMMER.

2. YOU SHOULD ALSO POINT OUT THAT THIS STEP REFLECTS OUR INTEREST IN STRENGTHENING OUR RELATIONS WITH THESE COUNTRIES. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS STEP WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE MUTUAL OBJECTIVE THAT THE US AND IRAN BOTH SHARE
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OF PROMOTING STABILITY AND ORDERLY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

OF THESE SMALL COUNTRIES BORDERING THE PERSIAN GULF. KISSINGER

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